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Honorable J. Bennett Johnston United States Senate 136 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Dear Senator Johnston:

This is in reply to your letter of May 18, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of your constituent, Jeffrey W. Kilgo, regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

Your constituent is specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your constituent's concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of

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## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1802

May 18, 1993

Ms. Lauren J. Belzin Federal Communications Commission Legislative Affairs 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 808 Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Ms. Belzin:

Because of my desire to be responsive to all inquiries, I respectfully request your consideration of the enclosed material.

I will appreciate your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with the return of the enclosures by June 17, 1993.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

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Jeffrey W. Kilgo 113 B Arizona Street Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613

13 April 1993

Dear Senator Johnston,

I am from Louisiana, serving in the US Army, at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. I have recently been made aware of an issue that greatly concerns me, so I decided to write you and hopefully convince you to help me.

The issue I am concerned with revolves around the proposed changes to the Radio Frequency Spectrum in FCC NPRM-PR Docket 92-235. Under this proposal the FCC plans to insert new frequencies within the 72 to 75 MHz bands. These new frequencies are to be allocated for mobile land based systems with up to 1 watt of power.

The problem with this proposal, is that the 72 to 75 MHz bands is the primary frequency spectrum for Radio Control hobbyists, of which I am a new member. The main issue of concern is the new frequencies are to close to the Radio Control frequencies, and they are more powerful. The net effect will be to render most of the Radio Control frequencies useless.

I have only recently joined the Radio Control hobby, but I have already invested over \$800, of which \$200 was for my radio. In addition to the monetary investment, I have Invested over 100 man hours of time preparing my model airplane, and learning to fly. As you can see I will be subject to lose quite a significant amount of time and money because of this proposal, and I am at the lower end of the investment equation.

Please help me and the millions of other Radio Control hobbyists, by convincing the FCC to seek alternative methods of frequency restructuring. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours

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Jeffrey W. Kilgo